

REMARKS

The Office Action indicated that the subject matter of Claim 19 would be allowed if rewritten in independent form and that Claims 3-6 would also be allowed if rewritten in independent form.

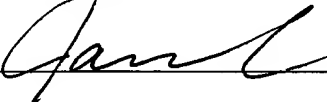
Accordingly, Claim 2 has been amended to incorporate the indicated allowed subject matter of dependent Claim 3. Thus, Claim 2 through Claim 14 are believed to be allowable.

Claim 18 has been amended to incorporate the allowed subject matter of dependent Claim 19 and accordingly it is believed to be allowable.

It is believed that the case is now in condition for allowance, and an early notification of the same is requested. If the Examiner believes that a telephone interview will help further prosecution of this case, he is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the listed phone number.

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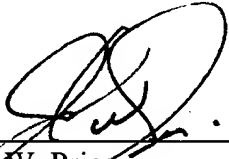


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Very truly yours,

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